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**CONGRESSMAN JACKSON ANNOUNCES VITAL INVESTMENTS FOR THE 2ND DISTRICT  
IN THE FY 2010 OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

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Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., a member of the House Appropriations Committee, said the House today approved the FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Bill which includes the annual spending bills for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development; Commerce, Justice, Science; Financial Services; Labor, Health, Human Services and Education; Military Construction and Veterans Affairs; and State, Foreign Operations by a vote of 221 to 202, with one Member recorded as present.

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As a result of Congressman Jackson's efforts, the measure funds the following projects in the 2nd District and the state:

### Transportation, Housing and Urban Development

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**\$8,000,000 for Metra**, including the Southeast Service and three other lines in the Chicago metropolitan area. Funds for the **Southeast Service** will be used for preliminary engineering for new service and stations for Chicago's underserved south suburbs.

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**\$7,500,000 for the Chicago Transit Authority Red Line** to extend the line from its current terminus at 95th St. to 130th St. T  
The project will include four new rail stations and a new rail yard serving densely populated areas on the South side, providing better access to downtown and more efficient connections to popular bus routes.

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**\$440,000 for PACE Suburban Bus** for digital signage that will inform passengers of bus arrival times for the eight bus routes that connect with the Harvey Transportation Center and the six routes that terminate at the Chicago Heights transit center.

## Commerce, Justice, Science

**\$350,000 for a Combined Emergency Telephone System Board** which provides emergency 911 dispatch service for Lynwood, Thornton and East Hazel Crest.

This funding will replace and upgrade outdated equipment and software.

**\$350,000 for the Chicago School of Professional Psychology** to provide behavioral health services to underserved residents to reduce violence and other negative behaviors.

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**\$250,000 for CeaseFire Chicago** to design interventions and work with community and government partners to reduce violence in the 7th Ward.

**\$200,000 for the SouthCom Combined Dispatch Center** that serves Matteson, Olympia Fields, Richton Park and Park Forest to upgrade to a high-speed, fiber optic broadband network.

**\$200,000 for Restoration Ministries** in Harvey to provide social services to underserved individuals and to implement its youth development and gang prevention program.

**\$100,000 for the Village of Thornton** to purchase and upgrade a mobile data browser which would allow police officers to complete case reports in the field and receive immediate dispatch alerts.

**\$100,000 for the E-Com Dispatch Center** that serves Homewood, Flossmoor, Glenwood, Hazel Crest, Riverdale and South Holland to install an Uninterrupted Power Supply and an environmental control system.

## Financial Services

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**\$100,000 for the Village of Olympia Fields and the South Suburban Coalition** to enable the Coalition to carry out Phase II of its comprehensive economic development marketing strategy and to analyze the opportunities and constraints for retail retention and retail expansion.

**\$100,000 for the National Urban League** for the enhancement and expansion of the Restore Our Homes-Homeownership Center in Chicago to connect Illinois residents to housing counseling, homebuyer education, financial literacy workshops, credit counseling, fair housing advocacy, and foreclosure assistance.

#### **Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education**

**\$3,000,000 for Thurgood Marshall Legal Scholarship Program** to provide low income, minority and disadvantaged secondary school and college students with information, preparation and financial assistance needed to gain access to and complete law school study and admission to law practice.

**\$500,000 for Children's Memorial Hospital** for the construction of a new Comprehensive Cardiac Unit.

**\$350,000 for St. James Hospital and Health Centers** to establish primary and specialty clinics at the St. James Olympia Fields campus.

**\$350,000 for Glenwood School for Boys & Girls** for its Life Stabilization Project and Services on its South Campus which provides housing support, educational programs and social skills development.

**\$325,000 for La Rabida Children's Hospital** to install state-of-the-art central monitoring and telemetry in order to continue to provide safe, quality care for medically fragile and complex pediatric patients.

**\$300,000 for Advocate South Suburban Hospital** for construction, renovation, and equipment to develop a "level-two plus" neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) that would enable nearly 100 newborns and their mothers to stay at their community hospital rather than being transferred.

**\$250,000 for South Shore Hospital** for an updated imaging system.

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**\$250,000 for Chicago Family Health Center** to serve the Pullman and West Pullman communities, expanding access to high quality and affordable health services to medically underserved and uninsured residents.

**\$200,000 for ACCESS Community Health Network** for a program to reduce cancer disparities through comprehensive, early detection.

**\$200,000 for Governors State University** to further develop the GSU Family Development Center into an exemplary model of early education and a hub for community collaboration and professional development.

**\$200,000 for the Northwestern Memorial Hospital** for a new simulation center which includes comprehensive, innovative programming for healthcare professionals, with emphasis on comprehensive skills, hand-to-eye coordination, practice through repetitive exercise and demonstration of skill competencies in patient care.

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**\$175,000 for Museum of Science and Industry** for the Teacher Professional Development Series. Through this program, the museum will provide supportive services to Chicago Public Schools to help expand, enhance and implement a science curriculum.

## **Military Construction and Veterans Affairs**

**\$7,400,000 for Scott Air Force Base** for the consolidation of the Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron Operations and Training Facility which moves the base mission out of building 505 which is afflicted with annual flooding, a leaking roof and electrical problems.



**\$3,000,000 for the Illinois National Guard** at the Abraham Lincoln Capitol Airport to relocate the entrance road to the Air National Guard Base, which is a necessary requirement of the Department of Homeland Security.

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